Minutes

Indiana Corn Marketing Council

June 20, 2003

Jon Rettinger, Council Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

Council Members present:

Michael J. Aylesworth

John Baugh

Henry K. Bilsland

Gerald Gauck

Matthew V. Gibson

David Howell

David Johnson

Jon C. Rettinger

Michael Shuter

Dennis Whitsitt

Don Zolman

Council Members not present:

Craig L. Klinge Don Wenneker

Senator Brandt Hershman Representative Dale Grubb

Others present:

Robert L. Benson Cress Hizer Dean Eppley

A roll call was taken with 10 voting members present.

The March 28, 2003 minutes were read and approved with a motion form Michael Aylesworth and a second from Dave Johnson. The motion passed.

The treasurer's report was given by Matt Gibson as follows:

\$25,252.34 in savings

\$223.50 in checking

\$40,408.56 in money market

Total \$65,884.40

There was a discussion of an audit of the treasury. It was thought that the fiscal year should by July 1st through June 30th. It was suggested to send a report to the State Budget Agency. Two auditors were suggested to Hank Bilsland as chairman of the audit committee. A suggested date for the report was September 1.

There were no committee reports.

There was a discussion of Dr. Tao's research project with a suggestion to have him in for our September meeting.

A thank you note was read from Dean Vic Lechtenberg of Purdue thanking the council for their support of the research of Dr. Tao.

There was a discussion of the National Corn Growers Association proposal for support of the Ethanol Pump Tour. A motion was made by Michael Aylesworth and seconded by Matt Gibson to approve \$35,000.00 for this project. After discussion as to this being the first step to this council promoting ethanol in Indiana, the motion passed 9 to 1. Everyone is encouraged to help with one of the stops for this tour, either in Frankfort or Rushville.

There was a discussion of the possibility of a booth at the Farm Progress Show near Danville, IL but no decision was made at this time.

Bob Benson made an announcement of elections for districts 2, 5 & 8. The voting date will be August 21, 2003 at the County Extension offices.

Michael Aylesworth presented a letter of resignation to the board effective July 1, 2003. He is retiring from farming and will no longer be actively engaged in farming.

A motion was made by David Howell and seconded by Matt Gibson to create a resolution thanking Michael Aylesworth for his enormous contribution to Agriculture in Indiana and the Nation, in addition to a tremendous effort in getting legislation passed to establish the Indiana Corn Market Development program.

A motion to approve all mileage and claims as presented was made by Matt Gibson and seconded by David Howell. The motion passed.

The next meeting of the Indiana Corn Marketing Council was set for 1:30 pm, September 12, 2003 at the Indiana Farm Bureau Building, 225 S East Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. There will be time for any committee meetings from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon at the discretion of the committee chairman.

A motion to adjourn was made by Michael Aylesworth and seconded by Dennis Whitsitt. Meeting was adjourned 3:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Michael Shuter, Council Secretary